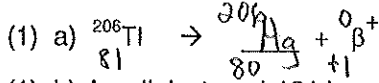


1. Consider a FRET experiment where the measured efficiency of energy transfer between two chromophores is 45%. If  $R_0 = 35.0 \text{ \AA}$ , estimate the separation of the two chromophores. ( $R = 36.2 \text{ \AA}$ )

(2)  $0.45 = \frac{1}{(1+x^6)}$  where  $x = \frac{r}{R_0}$ ;  $x^6 = \frac{0.55}{0.45} \Rightarrow x = \sqrt[6]{1.22} = 1.03$ ;  $R = 1.03 R_0$

2. Balance the following radioactive decay equation by filling in the blank with the missing item.



(1) b) A radioisotope I-131 has a half-life of 8.06 days. Calculate the decay rate constant of the radioisotope.

Rate constant (with units) =  $0.0860 \text{ d}^{-1}$   $k = \frac{\ln 2}{t_{1/2}} = \frac{0.693}{8.06 \text{ d}} = 0.0860 \text{ d}^{-1}$

(1) c) The how many days will it take for 98% of a sample of I-131 radioisotope rated at 30 microCuries to undergo radioactive decay? 45.5 days days.

$A = A_0 e^{-kt} \Rightarrow 2 = 100 e^{-kt}; \ln 50 = kt$

3. SDS gels are greatly improved in resolution by running a "stacking" gel and a "resolving" or "running" gel.

a) Name two key property differences between the "stacking" gel and the "resolving" gel that contribute to the improved resolution of running DISC PAGE.

- (1) a) pH: stacking gel is lower pH (~6.9) where Gly ~ 0 charge)  
b) % gel: stacking gel is lower % acrylamide - separate in running gel

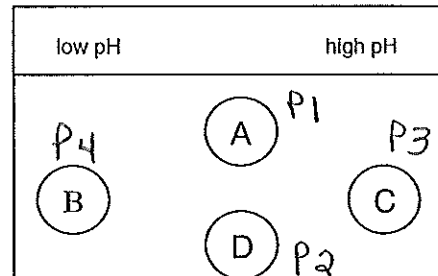
What is the role of each of the following in performing SDS-PAGE?

- (1) a) Bromophenol Blue - tracking dye to follow front of running gel  
b) Coomassie Blue: - protein stain added after run to visualize proteins

4. You performed a 2D IEF-SDS PAGE experiment on peptides P1, P2, P3, and P4 and obtained the following results. Match each spot with its peptide number.

A = P1; B = P4; C = P3; D = P2.

- P1 = FAGRRALVEDPIW largest  
P2 = RACKED smallest  
P3 = IKLRGAKPV high pKa  
P4 = AGWDPLEFD low pKa



5. The equation of motion for a small, spherical particle of mass (m) and frictional coefficient (f) that is initially at rest, and then acted on by a constant force (F) at time t = 0 is  $F - fv = ma$ . (From calculus recall that  $F - fv = m(dv/dt)$  solves to  $v = (F/f) [1 - \exp(-ft/m)]$ .)

a) Show that such a particle will initially accelerate but over time will approach a "maximal" velocity.

(1)  $v = \frac{F}{f} (1 - e^{-ft/m}) \rightarrow \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty, e^{-ft/m} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow v \rightarrow \frac{F}{f} \text{ (constant)}$

(1) b) Consider protein molecule that is assumed to be spherical with a diameter of  $66 \text{ \AA}$ , a density of  $1.32 \text{ g/cm}^3$  and a  $v$ -bar of  $0.72 \text{ cm}^3/\text{g}$ . Calculate the expected diffusion constant for this protein (Assume T =  $20^\circ \text{ C}$  and  $\eta = 0.01 \text{ (g/cm-s)}$ ).  $6.5 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$   $D = RT/N \cdot f$  (calc. f to get D)

a)  $f_{\text{sph}} = 6\pi\eta R_{\text{sph}}$

$f_{\text{sph}} \sim 6\pi(0.01 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm-s}})(33 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ cm}) = 6.2 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ g/s}$

$D = \frac{8.314 \cdot 10^7 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol-K}} (293 \text{ K})}{6.02 \cdot 10^{23} / \text{mol} (6.2 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ g/s})}$

6. What is typically measured by dynamic light scattering (LS)? D  $\rightarrow$  f  $\rightarrow$   $R_h$  (hydrodynamic radius)

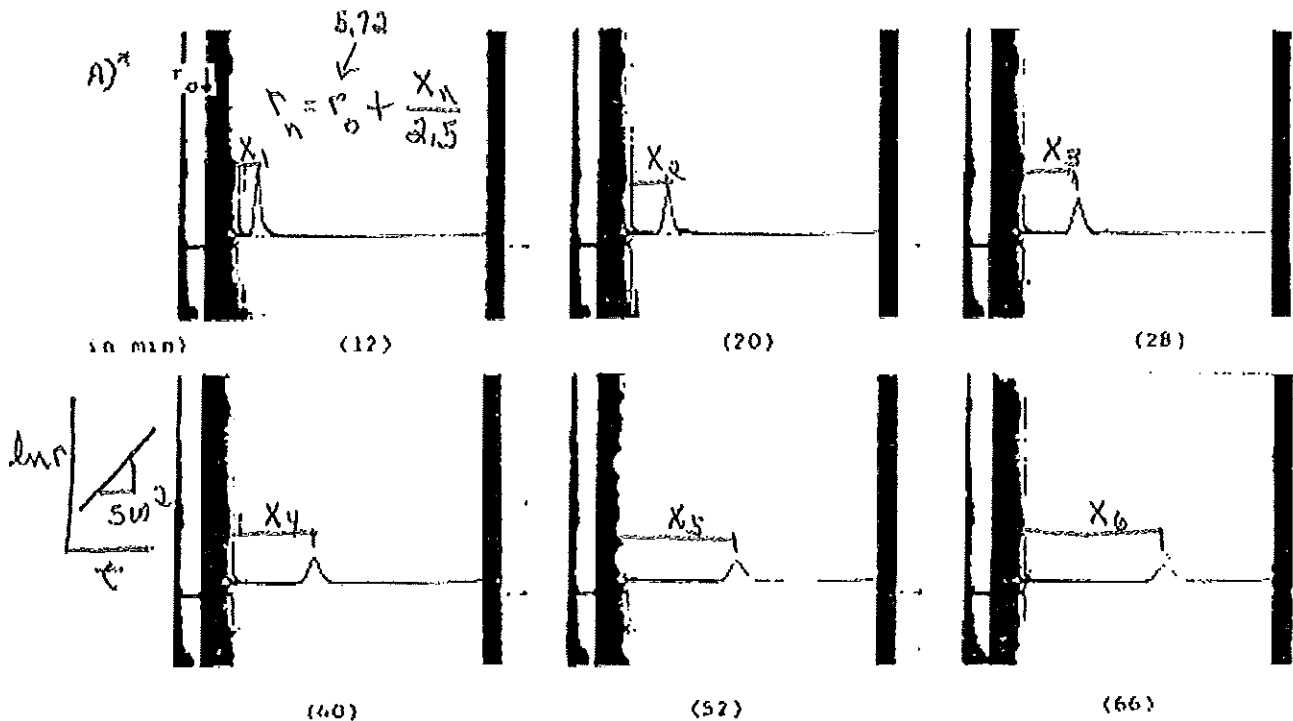
(1) What wavelengths are normally employed in making circular dichroism (CD) spectra? 180 - 240 nm

7. Determine the sedimentation coefficient ( $s$ ) and molecular weight ( $M$ ) for the sample that gave the following data when subjected to: A) a sedimentation velocity run using Schlieren optics, and B) a sedimentation equilibrium run using interference optics.

Note: the figures below have been magnified to allow you to make measurements from the figures. The "r" can be determined from the reference points ( $r_0$ ) and the magnification factors. Assume  $T = 20^\circ \text{C}$ , density of buffer =  $0.9968 \text{ g/mL}$ , and  $v\text{-bar} = 0.717 \text{ cm}^3/\text{g}$  for the protein, and  $\eta = 0.01 \text{ (g/cm-s)}$  for both experiments.

A) Sed. Vel. :  $\omega = 36,000 \text{ rpm}$ , magnification factor (2.5X),  $r_0 = 6.72 \text{ cm}$ . (times are given in minutes).

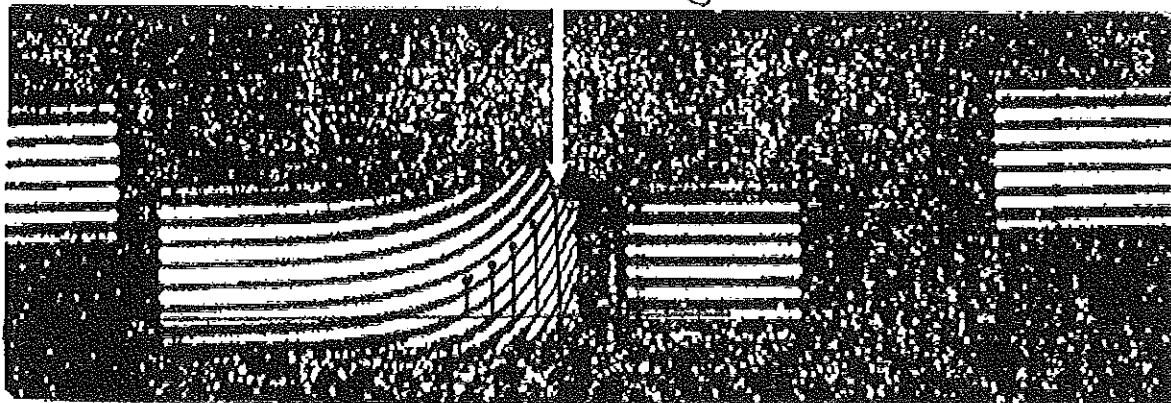
- (4) Report "s" in proper units [  $s = 23 \cdot 10^{-13} \text{ s} \approx 2.3 \text{ S}$  ] (Show work and attach plot).



B) Sed Equilibrium:  $\omega = 5000 \text{ rpm}$ , magnification factor (25X),  $r_0 = 6.75 \text{ cm}$ . Calculate  $M$  in  $\text{g/mol}$  (4pts) and

- (4) also estimate the concentration of the protein at the position with the white arrow (1 pt). Assume the cell path length to be  $12.00 \text{ mm}$ ,  $\lambda = 546 \text{ nm}$ , and  $(dn/dc) = 0.186 \text{ (g/cm}^3\text{)}^{-1}$ .

[  $M = 1.0 \cdot 10^6 \text{ g/mol}$  ; [ ] arrow =  $1.4 \text{ mg/mL}$  ] (Show work and attach plot).



sample region

$r_0 \uparrow$

$r_n = r_0 + \frac{X_n}{25}$  ;  $C \approx \Delta C = \frac{\Delta s \cdot \lambda}{a \cdot K}$

$\ln C$  vs  $r^2$  slope =  $\frac{M(1-v\rho)(\omega^2)}{2RT}$

I hereby declare that I did this assignment independently: